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SUBJECT: CYPRUS: EC-9 DEMARCHE TO SYG ON RESUMPTION OF TALKS

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- 1. UK MISOFF LOGAN PROVIDED US WITH ACCOUNT OF APPROACH TO SYG WALDHEIM BY DUTCH CHARGE VAN BUUREN ON BEHALF OF EC-9 ON AUGUST 27. ACCORDING TO LOGAN, VAN BUUREN URGED PROMPT RESUMPTION OF INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS BY MID-SEPTEMBER TO AVOID HARDENING OF POSITIONS AND TO IMPROVE ATMOSPHERE BEFORE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DEBATE. VAN BUUREN POINTED OUT THAT EC-9 HOPED SYG WOULD AGREE THAT IT WAS UP TO HIM TO TAKE THE INITIATIVE.
- 2. WALDHEIM TOOK NOTE OF EC-9 DEMARCHE AND REPLIED THAT CONFIDENTIAL

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HE HAD MET WITH ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS IN COLOMBO AND HAD SEEN

BOTH TURKISH AND GREEK FOREIGN MINISTERS ON HIS RETURN TO NEW YORK. NONE HAD SHOWN ANY WILLINGNESS TO RESUME TALKS ACCORDING TO WALDHEIM. WALDHEIM SAID THAT CAGLAYANGIL HAD REMARKED THAT HE COULD NOT ACCEPT TALKS ON SUBSTANTIVE MATTERS HELD UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE SYG AND BITSIOS AND MAKARIOS HAD SAID THE OPPOSITE. WALDHEIM CONTINUED THAT THE TURKS APPEAR TO WANT FAIT ACCOMPLI IN NORTHERN CYPRUS AND UNTIL TURKS HAD ACHIEVED THEIR OBJECTIVES THEY WOULD PREVARICATE. SYG SAID HE COULD NOT AFFORD TO PRESIDE OVER MEETING WHICH WOULD BE MERELY PROCEDURAL. FURTHER IF HE CALLED A MEETING WHICH THEN BROKE DOWN THE DOOR WOULD BE CLOSED FOR FURTHER TALKS. SYG ADDED THAT IN HIS VIEW THE FACT THAT THE FRAMEWORK STILL EXISTED EXERCISED A MODERATING EFFECT ON THE PARTIES. HOWEVER. IN THE EVENT OF A BREAKDOWN ON THE TALKS THAT WAS REAL DANGER PROBLEM WOULD BE EXACERBATED.

3. WALDHEIM CONCLUDED BY REMARKING THAT IF THE EC-9 WERE REALLY ANXIOUS TO SEE TALKS PROGRESS THEY SHOULD MARSHALL THEIR INFLUENCE IN ANKARA TO PERSUADE THE TURKISH SIDE TO ACCEPT A DISCUSSION OF SUBSTANTIVE MATTERS IN ANOTHER PLENARY SESSION OF THE CYPRUS TALKS. WALDHEIM SUGGESTED THAT DUTCH FM VAN-DER STOEL MIGHT WANT TO TAKE UP MATTER WITH TURKS DURING HIS VISIT TO ANKARA IN EARLY SEPTEMBER. (NOTE: NETHERLANDS MISSION CONFIRMED THAT WALDHEIM'S SUGGESTION HAS BEEN CONVEYED TO THE HAGUE, BUT THEY HAVE NO REPLY AS TO WHETHER VAN DER STOEL ON BEHALF OF THE NINE WOULD BE AUTHORIZED TO MAKE DEMARCHE TO TURKS.)

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